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FIBER OPTIC COMPONENT MARKING WITH FIBER OPTIC INDICIA

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

This invention provides a method of marking a fiber optic indicia on the surface of a fiber optic component and the fiber optic component produced thereby. The fiber optic indicia is represented as a predetermined pattern marked on the fiber optic component and is associated with data about at least one of an optical characteristic and a product characteristic. According to a preferred embodiment, the fiber optic indicia is marked on a chamfered surface of a ferrule. The fiber optic indicia may include at least one alphanumerical character, a symbol, or combinations thereof. The method comprises establishing the predetermined pattern of the fiber optic indicia, providing a fiber optic component for marking, preparing a predetermined portion of a surface of the fiber optic component for marking, and marking the predetermined portion in accordance with the predetermined pattern of the fiber optic indicia.